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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the following project in fiscal year 2023 for the Subcommittee on Agriculture:

Community Field at Jack Yates High School, which will be located at Jack Yates High School, 3650 Alabama St, Houston, TX 77004. The funding will support a collaborative effort between the Houston Independent School District and Prairie View A&M University to implement the revitalization of the football field to return it to a useful state, while incorporating flood mitigation measures into its design. Prairie View A&M University will contribute to the overall health and wellness objectives of this project.

There has been very little upkeep and maintenance of the football field and the field over the last several decades the resources have not been available to care for the field, which is currently in poor condition and after rains there are pools of standing water that does not drain, no grass remains on the field. Today, it is used primarily by Yates high school football team and the marching band for practice. The plan is to incorporate modern design techniques that reduce flooding and add elements that increase attractiveness of the space for community use such as the additional of a track, for walking jogging or running. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in any of these projects.

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Very truly yours,



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